FISCAL NOTE

SB 1164 - HB 1649

March 22, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Increases the penalty for the manufacture, delivery, sale, or possession with intent to manufacture, deliver, or sell of methamphetamine one classification higher where a minor is present during manufacturing process and for simply possession or casual exchange where there is an exchange to a minor.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$3,566,500/Incarceration*

Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000 Decrease Local Govt. Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000

Assumptions:

- 200 offenders will receive various increases in sentences ranging from Class E through Class B felony offenses when sentences are elevated one classification higher under the provisions of the bill.
- Local government expenditures and revenues associated with misdemeanor drug offenses will decrease when offenses are elevated to felony offenses.

*Section 9-4-210, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated for operating cost, in current dollars, shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years, beginning with the year the additional sentence to be served impacts the correctional facilities population.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director